

1 **REMARKS**

2 The specification is amended herewith to include a cross-reference and claim of priority to both  
3 the PCT application and the original European application.

4 Please enter this preliminary amendment before calculating the claim fees for this application. It  
5 includes a complete listing of the claims in the application. Claims are corrected and amended to  
6 remove multiple dependencies, to conform to USPTO claim practice and to better protect the  
7 invention. Claim 22 is amended to include any of the limitations of claims 23-30. Claims 23-30  
8 are canceled.

9 Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

10 Please charge fees for this application to account no. 09-0468.  
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